

**Neighborhood Advisory Group (NAG) Meeting
San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118-119
January 19, 2011**

6:37 pm- Agenda Item I-Welcome and Chair's Remarks

- Sami Monsur welcomed everyone. Led group introductions.

6:40 pm- Agenda Item II- Committees

- Next NAG meeting will be shortened to focus on committee work. The agenda is TBD.
- Committee overview:
 1. Public/Private Partnerships & Grant Resourcing-Sami Monsur. Grant workshop planning is in progress.
 2. Youth Projects-Paul Alvarado, not present.
 3. Beautification Projects-Debbie Wade. Looking for 1-day projects and a catchy name. Delmas Park- clean up date TBD (D3 will provide some \$\$ and resources). Sponsorships for the projects are welcomed.
 4. CNAC Liaison-Pete Kolstad. Next CNAC meeting, March 23rd at Mayfair Community Center.
 5. Advocacy and Outreach- TBD

6:50 pm- Agenda Item III- Councilmember Announcements

- Crime and Gang Prevention Summit at Seven Trees Community Center on Jan. 22nd, 8:30am-1:30pm. Spanish and Vietnamese translations available.
- Feb. 17- State of City address at Civic Auditorium. Register by Feb. 10th, see flier/city website.
- Youth Commission budget setting meeting, Jan. 29th, 9:30am at City Hall.
- Ruth Cueto was interviewed on the news for the Washington School volunteer patrol.

6:56 pm- Agenda Item IV- Kip Harkness- Redevelopment Agency (RDA)

- Councilmember Liccardo- attended a council meeting earlier to try to commit RDA money before the anticipated CA state "grab".
- TIF (tax increment funds)- Tax increments are the growth in property taxes from the base. Funds based on year of adoption, 2002. Funds go directly to the RDA. 20% goes to affordable housing, 80% funds RDA projects.
- Funds are collected from downtown businesses, other business districts and north SJ. FY 2012-2013 collections are for SNI areas.
- Projects require agreement with the County and City of San Jose.
- Improvements and investments require that there are no additional unfunded expenses (e.g. operational costs).

- RDA has more flexibility and entrepreneurial options to accomplish projects on behalf of the City.
- Under current rules, school funding is not affected. Non-basic aid school districts benefit from RDA funds.
- SNI staff is funded by a combination of City general funds and RDA money.
- Likelihood of RDA closing down, unknown.
- Richard Florida- author of book outlining creating interesting and diverse communities to live in.
- With crisis there is opportunity. The SNI has accomplished its goals. Going forward, how will we continue to create and support connections?

7:59 pm- Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, February 16, 2011 6:30-8:00 pm, City Hall meeting room 118-119.